HOUSE BILL 2234

By McDaniel

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 1-3-116 and Section 2-3-102, relative to the census.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 1-3-116(a)(7), is amended by deleting the language "2000 CPC-1-44" and substituting instead the language "2000 PHC-1-44".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 1-3-116(a), is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

Census of 2010: U.S. Bureau of the Census. 2010 Census of Population and Housing: Tennessee, 2010 CPH-1-44.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-3-102, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

- (a) No voting precinct shall be established, created, consolidated, divided, or the boundaries otherwise altered unless ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction, by reason of an annexation or other change in the boundary of a county or municipality, or in accordance with subsection (b). Any precinct boundary that is altered in accordance with this subsection (a) shall coincide with a census block as designated by the United States census bureau in the latest federal decennial census.
- (b) The county election commission may establish, consolidate, or change the boundaries of precincts whenever the public convenience or law requires it; provided, that if any precinct boundary is altered pursuant to this subsection (b) then all of the following conditions must be met:

- (1) Any precinct boundary that is altered shall coincide with a census block as designated by the United States census bureau in the latest federal decennial census; and
- (2) After December 31, 2018, all precinct boundaries within the jurisdiction of the county election commission that do not coincide with a census block as designated by the United States census bureau in the latest federal decennial census shall be altered so that the precinct boundaries do coincide with a census block as designated by the United States census bureau in the latest federal decennial census.
- (c) Any county election commission that alters the boundaries of any voting precinct in accordance with this section shall send a map, or geographic information systems file, to the office of local government which clearly delineates the new boundaries of the voting precinct.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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